

## AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Page 2, lines 1-7 replace the paragraph as follows:

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A low-pressure mercury vapor discharge lamp as mentioned in the opening paragraph is known from US-A 5 204 584. Said known low-pressure mercury vapor discharge lamp comprises a suitable combination of a main amalgam and an auxiliary amalgam, the latter being provided on one of the current supply conductors which extend from the electrodes through a so-called stem in the tubular end portion and, subsequently, issue from the discharge vessel to the exterior. In this known lamp the main amalgam is disposed so that it controls the mercury vapor pressure in the discharge space except for the starting period. Fig. 5 shows this known lamp, having a main amalgam 131 and auxiliary amalgams 133 and 135.

Page 4, lines 30-34 replace the paragraphs as follows:

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Figure 2 is a perspective view of a detail of the discharge lamp shown in Figure 1; and Figure 3 and Figure 4 are perspective views of a corresponding detail of, respectively, a second and a third embodiment of the low-pressure mercury-vapor discharge lamp in accordance with the invention, and

Figure 5 is a cross-sectional view of a known lamp having a main amalgam and auxiliary amalgams.